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REMARKS

This response is intended as a full and complete response to the non-final Office Action mailed May 4, 2005.

Claims 1-62 and 64-65 are pending. Claims 1-3 and 7-50 are amended.

In view of both the amendments presented above and the following discussion, the Applicants submit that the claimed invention is directed to statutory subject matter under the provisions of 35 U.S.C. §101. Thus, Applicants believe that all of these claims are now in allowable form.

It is to be understood that Applicants, by amending the claims, do not acquiesce to the Examiner's characterizations of the art of record or to Applicants' subject matter recited in the pending claims. Further, Applicants are not acquiescing to the Examiner's statements as to the applicability of the art of record to the pending claims by filing the instant responsive amendments.

Rejections Traversed

The Office Action rejected claims 1, 2, and 7-50 under 35 U.S.C. §101 asserting that the claimed invention is directed to non-statutory subject matter.

Applicants traverse these rejections, because claims 1-3 and 7-50 are amended to be directed to statutory subject matter under §101.

Allowable Subject Matter

Claims 4-6, 51-62, 64 and 65 are allowed.

Objection Traversed

The Office Action objected to claim 3 as being dependent upon a rejected base claim and indicated it would be allowable, if rewritten in independent form including all of the limitations of the base claim and any intervening claims.

Applicants respectfully submit that claim 3 is allowable, because claim 1 is patentable under §101 for the reasons given above.

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CONCLUSION

Thus, Applicants submit that all of the claims presently in the application are in condition for allowance. Accordingly, both reconsideration of this application and its swift passage to issue are earnestly solicited.

If, however, the Examiner believes that there are any unresolved issues requiring adverse final action in any of the claims now pending in the application, it is requested that the Examiner telephone Eamon J. Wall at (732) 530-9404 so that appropriate arrangements can be made for resolving such issues as expeditiously as possible.

Respectfully submitted

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